

SteA XIII. (XXXVI.)

The deity, *RM*, and metre as before.

Varga viii. 1. Truly are thy exhilarations
beneficial to all men:
truly are the riches which exist on
earth (beneficial
to all men): truly art thou the
distributor of food;
wherefore thou maintainest vigour
amongst the gods.

2. The worshipper praises
especially the strength
of that INDRA; verily they rely upon him for
heroic
deeds: they offer sacrifices to him as the
seizer of an
uninterrupted series of foes,¹ their
assailant, their
subduer, and also for the destruction of
VTUTRA.

3. The associated MARUTS, heroic
energies, virile
strength, and the *Niyut* steeds, attend
upon IMMU,
and praises powerful in sacred song centre
in him as
rivers flow into the ocean.

4. Glorified by, us, INDRA, let flow
the stream of
much-delighting, home-conferring affluence,
for thou
art the unequalled lord of men, the sole
sovereign of
all the world.

5. Hear, INDRA, (the praises) that
may be heard
(by thee), thou, who art gratified by our
adoration,
and, like the sun,^a (prevailest) over the
ample riches
of the enemy: endowed with strength, being
glorified
in every age, rendered comprehensible by
(sacrificial)
food, be to us no other³ (than such as thou
hast been).

¹ *Syumagribke, tyutdn avickchedena
varttamdnndn satrun
grihnate*, to him who seizes enemies being
lines or threads
without interruption.

² *Dyaur-na bkumdbhirayoaryah} arer
dhandni lahutardni
turyaivadbki bhavasi*: the prefix a&At,asis
frequent in the
Veda, being put for the compound verb
dbki bhhu.

³ *Aso yathd nak* is, literally, not he as to us:

*Sdyana, to make
this intelligible, says, yena prakdrena
asmdkam asddhdrano an*